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Citizen Survey Being Completed



Annually, Sandy City contracts with a marketing research firm to complete a survey of Sandy citizens. The purpose of the survey is to gather feedback and input on how the city is operating and discover what citizen's thoughts are about city services. City employees then use the survey results to look for areas of improvement within the different departments. This year, the city has hired Dan Jones and Associates to complete the survey. During December, they contacted Sandy citizens by telephone and asked them to share their thoughts about different aspects of the city. The survey results from this year are currently being compiled and will soon be available along with results from previous years on the city's website.

Economic Development Update

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Sandy City is in the midst of a tremendous economic boom. Every corner of the City is seeing significant projects under construction including retail, office, housing and restaurants. Development is underway at Quarry Bend with Lowe's, Wal-Mart, 300+ units of single family and multi-family housing, a 100,000 sq. ft. commercial village, and a new city owned 8-acre park. Other retail projects currently being constructed or

recently finished include the new Home Depot at the Little Cottonwood Center, the remodel of Sandy Village (formerly Sandy Mall), and new restaurants such as Johnny Carino's, two Iggy's locations, Asian Star, Texas Roadhouse, and Rumbi Island Grill.

The Real Salt Lake soccer stadium financing is still being negotiated while the zoning and project review is taking place through normal city processes. When complete, this project will include a broadcast studio and in later phases, retail and residential developments

In addition to other projects, the city presently has over 400,000 square feet of office space being constructed. This will provide an opportunity for more jobs within Sandy. For example, E*TRADE is locating in the second phase of the South Towne Corporate Center with plans of hiring approximately 300 employees. The city has also seen many current employers expand their operations, such



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as BD Medical and Harmon Music, thus adding new jobs to our community.

The City is also currently updating its Economic Development Plan which will help outline the future economic needs of the city, as well as examine and develop strategies for future commercial and employment needs. The plan is expected to be completed by March 2007.